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February 15, 2011

Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief of the Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D. C. 20423

RE: Docket No. AB-511 (Sub-No. 5X), Central Railroad Company of Indianapolis—Abandonment Exemption—Howard County, IN

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Dear Ms. Brown:

By letter dated February 11, 2011 (see attachment) the City of Kokomo ("Kokomo") requests the Surface Transportation Board (the "Board") to grant an extension of time to negotiate trail use with the Central Railroad Company of Indianapolis ("CERA") for a non-contiguous 2.35-mile line between 55.66 near Gano Street and railroad milepost 57.39 at the south right-of-way of the proposed US35, and between milepost 57.88 at the north right-of-way of the proposed US31 and milepost 58.5 at the south end of the Nickel Plate Trail, distances of 0.62 and 1.73 miles respectively (2.35 miles total) in Howard County, Indiana (the "Line").

The period for negotiation is scheduled to expire on February 16, 2011. CERA agrees to an extension of the period for negotiation of 180 days to August 15, 2011. CERA also believes that the consummation date for the Line would be automatically extended to October 14, 2011 under 49 C.F.R. 1152.29(e)(2).

CERA is efiling this letter. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please contact me.

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Attachment

Cc: Mayor Greg Goodnight



GREG GOODNIGHT, MAYOR

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February 11, 2011

Chief, Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings Surface Transportation Board Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Central Railroad of Indianapolis Abandonment in Howard County, Indiana, Docket No. AB-511 (Sub-No. 5X)

Dear Chief:

This request is filed on behalf of The City of Kokomo, which is a city in Howard County, Indiana,

The City of Kokomo requests an extension to the negotiating periods ordered in item 2 of the DECISION AND NOTICE OF INTERIM TRAIL USE OR ABANDONMENT dated August 20, 2010. This extension is required due to delays in obtaining accurate appraisals on the property. This extension will allow the City of Kokomo and Central Railroad of Indianapolis with adequate time to sufficiently negotiate and execute a trail use agreement.

Sincerely,

Greg Goodright

Mayor

City of Kokomo



